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MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE REPORT

Receipts: 22,562 Week ago: 42,161 Year ago: 27,986 Steers and Heifers Medium and Large 1 Hols. Large 3

<u>Fdr. STl</u>	EERS:	Fdr. HE	EIFERS:	Hols. S	TEERS
			:		:
356 lbs.	338.54	351 lbs.	397.86	361 lbs	227.06
450 lbs.	312.75	448 lbs.	266.71	437 lbs.	217.72
549 lbs.	276.42	547 lbs.	245.40	559 lbs.	199.71
648 lbs.	248.75	639 lbs.	221.67	656 lbs.	178.05
755 lbs.	220.16	754 lbs.	203.78	753 lbs.	170.89
841 lbs.	204.92	872 lbs.	183.50	854 lbs.	157.71
953 lbs.	190.31			928 lbs.	152.61

SOUTHERN MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(West Plains, Ava)

Receipts: 5422 Week ago: 5999 Year ago: 3487 Compared to last week, feeder steers steady to 6.00 higher, excepts 500-700 lbs steady to 5.00 lower. Heifers sold steady to 5.00 lower. Slaughter cows uneven 4.00 lower to 5.00 higher.

STEERS:		<u>HEIFERS</u> :		
Medium and	Large 1	Medium ar	nd Large 1	
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	316.50-358.00 278.00-342.50 256.00-302.50 235.00-261.00 217.00-236.00 196.00-214.50		283.50-325.00 257.00-292.00 231.00-264.00 206.00-235.00 197.00-211.00 187.00-188.00	
Holstein Large Fra: 200-300 lbs. 300-400 lbs. 800-900 lbs.		SLAUGHTER C Breaking and B lean) 100.00-116 ing 116.00-128.0 90.00-106.00. I 95.00-110.00	Soning (70-85% 5.00, high dress-00, low dressing	

SLAUGHTER BULLS:

Yield Grade 1-2 1300-2100 lbs. Medium and Large 1-2 2 yrs to 130.00-139.00, high dressing 140.00 short and solid 9500-1325 lbs in -155.00, low dressing 115.00-130.00 2nd to 3rd stage 1725.00-

REPLACEMENT COWS:

2400.00 per head

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2 2-7 yrs 828-1225 lbs with 100-250 lb calves 2100.00-2700.00 per pair

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SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Joplin and Springfield)

Feeder Cattle Receipts: 6552 Week ago: 7903 Year ago: 7435 Cow and Bull Receipts: 1237 Week ago: 1171 Year ago: 1274 Compared to last week, feeder steers and heifers steady. Holsteins not well tested last week, compared to two weeks ago, under 700 lbs steady to 6.00 lower, 700 lbs steady to 3.00 higher, over 800 lbs steady. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 lower. Slaughter bulls 3.00 to 5.00 lower.

STEE	RS:	<u>HEIFERS</u> :		
Medium and	d Large 1	Medium a	nd Large 1	
300-400 lbs.	319.00-357.50	300-400 lbs.	270.00-342.50	
400-500 lbs.	282.50-330.00	400-500 lbs.	252.00-284.00	
500-500 lbs.	246.00-301.00	500-600 lbs.	220.00-267.50	
600-700 lbs.	230.00-253.00	600-700 lbs.	200.00-233.00	
700-800 lbs.	205.00-231.00	700-800 lbs.	187.25-210.00	
800-900 lbs.	196.00-212.75	800-900 lbs.	172.50-182.10	
HOLSTI			COWS: Breaking (70-85% lean)	
Large Fr	anne 3		(
300-400 lbs.	214.00-252.50	105.00-118.00, 114.00-127.50.	high dressing Lean (85-90%)	
400-500 lbs.	195.00-236.00	93.00-109.00	Lean (63-7070)	
500-600 lbs.	176.00-215.00	SLAUGHTER I	RIII I S. Vield	
600-700 lbs.	167.00-195.00		-2280 lbs 130.00-	
700-800 lbs.	162.00-174.00		dressing 139.00-	
800-900 lbs.	150.00-166.00	152.00	uressing 137.00-	
900-1000 lbs.	145.00-155.00	132.00		
REPLACEMENT (COWS:	COW & CALF	PAIRS: Medium	
Medium and Larg				
2nd to 3rd stage 950-1355 lbs most		825-1185 lbs wi	ith babies to 170	
1750.00-2450.00 p	er head	lb calves 2300	0.00-2960.00 per	
		nair		

NORTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Maryville, St Joe)

Receipts: 2469 Week ago: 3145 Year ago: 856

Compared to last week, steer and heifer calves steady to 4.00 lower, yearlings higher undertone on a light test. Slaughter cows and slaughter bulls mostly steady on a light test.

FEEDER	R STEERS:	FEEDER HEIFERS:		
Medium a	and Large 1	Medium a	and Large 1	
400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-750 lbs Lot 860 lbs.		400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-650 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	268.50-279.00 230.00-255.50 222.00-235.00 202.00-215.00	
	BULLS: 2 1430-2120 lbs ind high dress-	2 2		
BRED COWS:	Scarce	COW-CALF PAI	IRS: Scarce	

WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Sedalia, Kingsville, Passaic)

Receipts: 2698 Week Ago: 4289 Year Ago: 3173 Compared to last week, feeders uneven 7.00 lower to 12.00 higher. Slaughter cows traded steady to 2.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 1		<u>FEEDER HEIFERS</u> : Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 850-900 lbs.	316.50-372.00 276.00-330.00 254.50-307.50 235.50-265.50 215.00-230.00 199.25-199.75	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	280.00-321.00 244.50-292.00 235.00-264.00 206.00-227.50 197.00-216.00 188.00-199.00
SLAUGHTER BU Grade 1-2 1065-214 145.00, high dre 154.50, low dressing	essing 149.00-	SLAUGHTER Cing and Boning 105.00-115.00, 111.50-124.00. 100.00-112.00	COWS: Break- (75-85% lean) high dressing Lean (85-90)
COW & CALF PAIR Scarce	<u>RS:</u>	REPLACEMENT Scarce	COWS:

EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Bowling Green, Kingdom City, Macon, Boonville) Receipts: 2070 Week ago: 7034 Year ago: 3753 Compared to last week, light supply of feeder calves steady to firm. Slaughter cows steady to firm.

FEEDER Medium and l		FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1 & 1-2		
350-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-675 lbs. 700-750 lbs.	327.00-367.00 280.00-332.00 251.00-291.00 236.00-277.00 230.00-233.00	350-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-550 lbs. 600-650 lbs.	284.00-310.00 249.00-296.00 231.00-272.00 209.00-232.00	
SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: two 159.25-159.75		SLAUGHTER CC and Boning, (70-8 age dressing 101. dressing up to 12: 90%) 98.00-112.00	5% lean) Aver- 00-112.00 high 2.00. Lean (85-	
REPLACEMENT Scarce	COWS:	SLAUGHTER E Grade 1-2 1300-1 132.00-142.00, fev 142.00-152.00	2300 lbs. bulk	

NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Palmyra, Unionville, Green City, New Cambria) (04/03/2015)
Feeder Cattle Receipts: 9080 Week ago: 1050 Year ago: 8090
Slaughter Cattle Receipts: 27 Week ago: 25 Year ago: 78
Compared to last week, feeders under 400 lbs 5.00-15.00 higher, 400-

700 lbs steady to 5.00 higher, over 700 lbs 5.00-10.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 higher. Slaughter steers and heifers steady to 1.00 lower EFFDED GTFFDG EEEBED HEIEEBA

FEEDER STEERS:		<u>FEEDER HEIFERS</u> :		
Medium and La	arge 1 & 1-2	Medium and I	Large 1 & 1-2	
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	358.00-401.00 308.50-357.50 266.00-309.00 248.00-272.50 216.00-239.50	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs.	290.00-357.50 259.50-306.00 235.00-262.00 214.50-238.00 199.00-218.00	
800-900 lbs. <u>SLAUGHTER STE</u> Choice 2-3 1250-1: 161.00		SLAUGHTER C and Boning (75-8 103.50-113.00 h to 122.00	COWS: Breaking 85% lean) ligh dressing up	
SLAUGHTER HEI Choice 2-3 pkg 129			BULLS: Yield 2250 lbs 132.50-	
COW & CALF PAI	IRS:	<u>REPLACEMEN</u>	T COWS:	

Scarce

Scarce

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Farmington, Patton)

Receipts: 1775 Week ago: 2959 Year ago: 2008 Compared to last week, feeders sold very uneven 16.00 lower to 12.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady. Slaughter bulls 3.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 1		FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1		
250-300 lbs. 300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	327.50-387.50 312.50-355.00 280.00-324.00 235.00-288.00 220.00-268.00 180.00-225.00	300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs.	292.50-327.50 270.00-322.00 236.00-292.50 220.00-257.00 199.00-221.00 180.00-200.00	
REPLACEMENT and Large 1-2 3-7 2nd and 3rd stage per head	yrs 960-1375 lbs 1625.00-2300.00	and Boning (75-108.00. Lean 90.00-100.50	-85% lean) 98.00 1 (85-90% lean)	
COW & CALF Pand Large 1-2 4-7				

SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

with 160-300 lb calves 1800.00- bulk 117.00-129.50; high dress-

ing 129.00-136.50

(Cuba, Vienna)

Receipts: 2482 Week ago: 2509 Year ago: 2243

Compared to last week, steers and heifers sold steady to 3.00 higher.

Slaughter cows steady to 3.00 lower.

2350.00 per pair

<u>FEEDER STEERS:</u> Medium and Large 1		<u>FEEDER HEIFERS</u> : Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	320.00-375.00 285.00-325.00 265.00-300.00 240.00-283.00 217.50-236.00	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs.	276.50-345.00 246.00-307.50 229.00-259.00 207.00-236.50 199.00-210.00
REPLACEMENT COWS: Few Medium and Large 1-2 3 yrs short solid 850-1225 lbs. 2nd to 3rd stage 1800.00-2100.00 per head		SLAUGHTER ing and Boning 100.00-109.00. 92.00-105.00	(70-85% lean)
COW & CALF PAIRS: Scarce		SLAUGHTER Grade 1-2 1500139.00, low of 124.00	2100 lbs 120.00

MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT

Weekly Receipts: 0 Week ago: 0 Year ago: 200 Trading inactive as of 8:00am Friday. No confirmed sales yet this week.

LIVE STEERS & HEIFERS:	DRESSED STEERS & HEIFERS:
No sales reported	No sales reported

GRADE AND WEIGHT (Grid): No sales reported

INTERIOR MISSOURI DIRECT HOGS

Weekly Receipts: 2532 Week ago: 2002 Year ago: 1984 Compared to last week, barrows and gilts steady to 3.00 lower, sows steady to 3.00 lower.

BARROWS AND GILTS: SOWS: Base carcass meat price 44.00-300-500 lbs. 29.00-33.00 53.00 weekly top Fri 53.00 Over 500 lbs. 34.00-39.00

MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT WEANER AND FEEDER PIG REPORT

Receipts: 5854 Weaner pigs steady. Feeder pigs no recent sales for a comparison. Prices per head. Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights, FOB 0% negotiated, 3400 head, 10 lbs, 36.00-39.00, weighted average 37.62. Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights, delivered 43% negotiated, 1957 head, 10 lbs, 29.00-47.00, weighted average 39.15. Feeder pigs, delivered 100% negotiated, 497 head, 40 lbs, 60.50

WHOLESALE FEEDSTUFFS PRICES (DOLLARS PER TON-BULK BASIS)

Area	Soybean Meal 48% Solvent	Cottonseed Meal 41% Solvent	Meat Meal	Wheat Middlings
Kansas City	326.20	338.00	382.50	125.00
St. Louis	360.50	340.00	395.00	124.00

Mexico - Midwest Exchange Regional Stockyards Sheep and Goat Auction 04/09/2015

Receipts: 372 Last Week: 242 Last Year: 1012 SHEEP: 229 head Slaughter Lambs: non-traditional markets, Choice few Prime 2-3 50-65 lbs 220.00-230.00; pkg 70 lbs 199.00. Mixed Good and Choice 1-3 pkg woooled 58 lbs 203.00. Feeder Lambs: Small and Medium 1-2 hair 40-45 lbs 230.00-231.00. Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good 1-3 95-215 lbs 75.00-105.00, few 90-100 lbs 110.00-115.00. Bred Ewes: pkg Hair 140 lbs 165.00 per head. Slaughter Bucks: few 160-195 lbs 80.00-83.00. GOATS: 143 head Slaughter Kids: Selection 1 pkg 50 lbs 303.00. Selection 1-2 pkg 38 lbs 270.00; 40-60 lbs 264.00-278.00; lot 80 lbs 234.00. Selection 2-3 48-58 lbs 244.00-274.00. Nannies: Selection 1-2 few 92-112 lbs 137.00-141.00. Selection 2-3 few 90-130 lbs 110.00-122.00. (prices per hundred weight unless noted)

Norwood Producer's Auction Yards-Special Dairy Sale 04/09/15 Receipts: 493 Last Special: 488 Last Year: 476

Springer Heifers Bred Seven to Nine Months: Supreme 1850.00-2100.00, Crossbreds 1750.00-1875.00. Approved 1500.00-1850.00, Crossbreds 1500.00-1600.00. Medium 1200.00-1425.00, Crossbreds 1175.00-1400.00, Jerseys 1225.00-1325.00. Common Crossbreds 900.00 -1025.00. Heifers Bred Four to Six Months: Supreme 1775.00-1950.00. Approved 1425.00-1725.00, Crossbreds 1450.00-1675.00. Medium 1200.00-1325.00, Crossbreds 1000.00-1375.00, Jerseys 1250.00. Open heifers: Approved 200-300 Ind. 600.00, Ind. Crossbred 550.00, Ind. Jersey 525.00; 300-400 720.00-775.00, Crossbreds 610.00-635.00, Jerseys 775.00-825.00; 400-500 750.00-770.00, Crossbreds 790.00-860.00, Registered Jersey 1000.00; 500-600 875.00-1050.00, Crossbreds 920.00-980.00; 600-700 1100.00-1270.00, Crossbreds 1060.00-1070.00, Ind. Brown Swiss 950.00; 700-800 1325.00-1400.00. Fresh Milking Heifers and Cows: Approved 1500.00-1875.00, Ind. Crossbred 1750.00. Medium 1125.00-1475.00, Crossbreds 1375.00-1400.00, Jerseys 1000.00-1125.00. Baby Calves: Holstein Heifers 310.00-370.00. Holstein Bulls 370.00-440.00. Jersey Bulls Large 220.00 -300.00, Small 105.00-160.00. Crossbred Heifers 360.00-370.00. Crossbred Bulls Large 250.00-325.00, Small 110.00-240.00.

Diamond - TS Whites Sheep and Goat Sale 04/02/2015

Receipts: 1111 Month Ago: 1013 Year Ago: 1388 SHEEP: Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3 wooled, few nontraditional 57 lbs 240.00. Good and Choice 1-3 30-50 lbs 230.00; 70-80 lbs 190.00-210.00. Hair lambs non-traditional: Choice and Prime 2-3 40-55 lbs 225.00-235.00; 80-95 lbs 155.00-175.00. Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 18-38 lbs 200.00-220.00; 40-55 lbs 200.00-220.00; 60-75 lbs 200.00-225.00; 80-90 lbs 150.00-155.00; 100-160 lbs 100.00-130.00. Slaughter Ewes: Good 1-2 wooled 120-190 lbs 67.50-90.00. Choice 3 hair ind 115 lbs 105.00. Utility 1-2 62-75 lbs 85.00-105.00; 80-125 lbs 75.00-90.00. Slaughter Rams: wooled 225-305 lbs 65.00-75.00. Few Good hair 150-245 lbs 80.00-105.00. Families: Medium and Large 1-2 with single or twin lambs at side 75.00-90.00 per head. GOATS: Slaughter Classes: Kids: Selection 1-2 30-40 lbs 250.00-290.00; 40-55 lbs 200.00-250.00; 50-60 lbs 260.00-295.00; few 55 lbs 300.00; 60-70 lbs 280.00-295.00; 65-75 lbs 300.00-320.00; 80-90 lbs 225.00-260.00. Selection 2-3 20-40 lbs 160.00-195.00; 40-55 lbs 105.00-180.00; 60-70 lbs 225.00-270.00; 80-100 lbs 130.00-150.00. Nannies: Selection 1-2 50-105 lbs 100.00-130.00; 100-215 lbs 200.00-250.00. Billies: Selection 1-2 90-205 lbs 135.00-150.00. Replacement Nannies: Selection 1-3 several families with single and twin kids at side 70.00-90.00 per head.

WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans .32 to .36 lower, Wheat .10 to .12 lower, Corn .08 to .11 lower, Kansas City Wheat .20 to .24 lower, Soybean Meal 14.30 to 18.10 lower.

Daily Grain Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Soybeans May Jul Aug Sep Nov	978 1/2 983 1/2 983 973 3/4 968 1/4	971 976 1/4 975 3/4 967 3/4 963 1/4	971 1/2 976 1/2 975 1/2 966 1/4 960 1/2	953 1/2 958 1/4 957 1/4 950 945 1/4	951 1/2 956 955 946 3/4 942 1/2
Wheat May Jul Sep Dec Mar	527 3/4 527 3/4 536 1/2 550 562 3/4	526 525 533 1/2 546 3/4 559 3/4	526 1/4 523 3/4 532 1/4 546 1/2 560	518 3/4 517 1/2 525 1/2 540 554 1/4	526 1/2 524 532 1/2 546 1/2 560 1/2
Corn May Jul Sep Dec Mar	385 393 400 1/2 409 3/4 419 1/4	383 391 398 3/4 407 3/4 417 1/2	379 1/4 387 1/4 395 404 3/4 414 3/4	378 385 3/4 393 1/2 403 1/2 413 3/4	377 384 3/4 392 1/2 402 1/2 412 3/4
KC Wheat May Jul Sep Dec Mar	572 575 3/4 586 600 1/2 612	565 1/4 569 3/4 580 594 1/2 605 3/4	561 1/4 565 3/4 576 1/2 591 1/2 602 3/4	551 1/2 556 1/4 567 3/4 583 1/2 595 1/4	558 3/4 562 1/2 573 3/4 589 1/2 601
SB Meal May Jul Aug Sep Oct	323.00 322.70 321.50 320.40 317.90	319.70 319.30 318.70 318.00 315.90	319.90 319.70 318.90 317.60 315.20	312.10 312.00 311.60 311.20 309.40	309.20 309.60 309.00 308.50 306.90

WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TREND

Compared to last week: Live Cattle 2.27 to 4.57 lower, Lean Hogs Apr .62 lower others 1.60 to 3.42 higher, Feeder Cattle 6.90 to 7.92 lower.

Daily Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Cattle Apr Jun Aug Oct Dec	162.45 151.75 148.30 150.30 150.97	163.00 152.32 148.90 150.57 151.35	161.55 151.45 148.55 150.37 151.22	161.80 151.57 148.67 150.60 151.40	158.80 148.80 146.55 148.42 149.45
Lean Hogs Apr May Jun Jul Aug	63.25 69.20 76.60 77.72 78.25	62.57 69.00 76.35 77.60 78.22	62.30 70.22 77.10 78.37 78.75	62.10 70.50 76.80 78.12 78.22	62.55 71.77 78.15 79.35 79.17
Fdr Cat Apr May Aug Sep Oct	219.80 216.87 217.75 216.70 216.00	217.67 214.95 216.30 215.25 214.47	216.22 213.47 214.92 214.25 213.30	216.47 213.70 215.02 214.52 213.50	212.45 209.72 211.45 210.75 209.47
Milk Apr May Jun	15.62 15.65 15.61	15.64 15.89 15.85	15.63 15.82 15.84	15.67 15.97 15.94	15.69 15.77 15.71

By-Product Feed Prices

Alfalfa Pellets, St. Louis MO 245.00; Corn Gluten Feed pelleted, Baring, MO 160.00; Distillers Grain Dried, Kansas City, MO 190.00; Soy Hulls Mexico, MO 130.00. Prices per ton.

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MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS

Weekly Trends: Soybeans .31 to .40 lower, Soft Wheat .10 lower to .01 higher, Corn .06 to .09 lower, Sorghum .16 lower.

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Area	#1 Soybeans	#2 Soft	#2 Corn	#2 Grain
		Wheat		Sorghum
Kansas City Friday**	Closed			
Monday Tuesday	9.64-9.98	5.08-5.28	3.73-3.77	8.12
Wednesday	9.56-9.91 9.62-9.91	5.06-5.26 5.16-5.26	3.71-3.83 3.69-3.79	8.08 8.01
Thursday	9.62-9.91	5.10-3.20	3.68-3.78	8.00
Friday	9.41-9.71	5.16-5.26	3.67-3.77	7.98
St. Louis Friday**	GI I			
Monday	Closed 10.03-10.05	5.27	4.00-4.02	7.96
Tuesday	9.89-9.98	5.26	3.97-4.00	7.90 7.92
Wednesday	9.89-9.93	5.26	3.85-3.92	7.85
Thursday Friday	9.73-9.74	5.18	3.93-3.97	7.91
riiday	9.71-9.74	5.26	3.94-3.97	7.89
<u>Central</u>	GI I			
Friday** Monday	Closed 9.61-9.72	4.92-4.98	3.58-3.65	6.51
Tuesday	9.54-9.64	4.92-4.98	3.56-3.63	6.48
Wednesday	9.56-9.65	4.91-4.94	3.52-3.59	6.41
Thursday	9.38-9.47	4.83-4.87	3.51-3.58	6.39
Friday	9.36-9.45	4.91-4.94	3.50-3.57	6.37
S.E. MO Friday**	Closed			
Monday	9.91-10.04	5.28	3.86-3.95	7.85
Tuesday	9.79-9.96	5.25	3.85-3.98	7.82
Wednesday	9.80-9.97	5.24	3.81-3.94	7.94
Thursday	9.67-9.79	5.18	3.93-3.94	7.92
Friday	9.62-9.77	4.72	3.92-3.93	7.91

(PRICES PER BU. EXCEPT GR. SORG. PER CWT) *NEW CROP **PREVIOUS WEEK'S PRICES

Missouri Weekly Hay Summary

Farmers didn't find as many days suitable for field work as they would have liked this past week. Only a limited amount of field work was able to be accomplished before the rain came in. Fertilizer is being spread in some areas but fields are being chosen carefully. Although progress was rated in just single digits of the total crop, corn planting has started. Several farmers especially in the south are now turning out to grass as cattle have basically stopped eating much hay. Plenty of moisture around the state but some sun and warm would really get pastures growing good. The supply of hay is moderate and demand is light. Prices are steady. The Missouri Department of Agriculture has a hay directory available for both buyers and sellers. To be listed, or for a directory visit http://mda.mo.gov/abd/haydirectory/ or for current listings of hav http://agebb.missouri.edu/haylst/ (All prices f.o.b. and per ton unless specified and on most recent reported sales price listed as round bales based generally on 5x6 bales with weights of approximately 1200-1500 lbs).

Supreme quality Alfalfa (RFV <185) 180.00-200.00 Premium quality Alfalfa (RFV 170-180) 150.00-190.00 Good quality Alfalfa (RFV 150-170) 120.00-160.00 Fair quality Alfalfa (RFV 130-150) 100.00-120.00

Good quality Mixed Grass hay 75.00-95.00 Fair to Good quality Mixed Grass hay 40.00-65.00 Fair quality Mixed Grass hay 20.00-35.00 per large round bale

Fair to Good quality Bromegrass 50.00-70.00 Wheat straw 3.00-6.00 per small square bale